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PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

UNITED STATES.

[Reports to the Surgeon-General, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.]

Statement of the joint inspection of the Chinese and Japanese districts of San Francisco, Cal., for the two weeks ended December 31, 1904, and four weeks ended January 28, 1905.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Blue, at San Francisco, reports as follows:

	Week ended—					
	Dec. 24, 1904.	Dec. 31, 1904.	Jan. 7, 1905.	Jan. 14, 1905.	Jan. 21, 1905.	Jan. 28, 1905.
Buildings reinspected	156	167	204	201	149	147
Rooms reinspected	2,029	1,906	1,686	2,576	1,693	1,908
Persons inspected	2,990	2,335	2,095	3,204	3,704	3,265
Sick inspected	21	15	19	7	15	18
Sick prescribed for at Oriental Dispensary	12	10	15	16	15	11
Dead examined	11	4	3	12	10	7
Necropsies	4	0	0	6	5	0
Rats examined bacteriologically	47	41	34	27	29	54
Number showing pest infection	0	0	0	0	0	0
Places limed and disinfected	776	626	595	758	796	811
Blocks covered with Danysz virus	15½	10	10	15	12	10
Blocks covered with phosphorus poison	6					
Times street swept	2	1	2	2	2	2
Sewers flushed	17	15	15	16	17	18
Notices sent to abate plumbing nuisances	6	5	5	8	5	8
Plumbing nuisances abated	7	3	5	6	3	12
Plumbing nuisances undergoing abatement	12	6	9	8	7	4
Total number plumbing inspections	144	130	119	131	92	139

“Of these blocks some were covered with phosphorus poison.

Report on rats from city wharf and Chinese, Japanese, and Latin quarters, examined during the two weeks ended December 31, 1904, and four weeks ended January 28, 1905.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Currie reports, through Passed Assistant Surgeon Blue, as follows:

	Week ended—					
	Dec. 24, 1904.	Dec. 31, 1904.	Jan. 7, 1905.	Jan. 14, 1905.	Jan. 21, 1905.	Jan. 28, 1905.
Number of rats caught alive	23	38	30	23	22	48
Number found dead	24	3	4	4	7	6
Number showing lesions of phosphorus poisoning	9	0	4	0	0	0
Number showing pest infection	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number showing infection with Danysz bacillus (<i>B. typhi murium</i>)	6	4	2	3	2	4